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A METHOD FOR DETECTING A GRAM-NEGATIVE BACTERIAL AUTOINDUCER

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**AMENDMENT** 

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

For

In response to the January 21, 2005, office action, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.